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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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WHICH CODE FOR THE OXYR GENE

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

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SIR:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction of June 10, 2003, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-6, 10-22 and 26-29 drawn to polynucleotides encoding OxyR transcriptional regulator protein and related products and methods.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

- Group I: Claims 1-6, 10-22 and 26-29, drawn to polynucleotides encoding OxyR transcriptional regulator protein and related products and methods;
- Group II: Claim 30, drawn to a host cell containing an *E. Coli-C. glutamicum* shuttle vector;
- Group III: Claims 7-9 and 23-25, drawn to methods of making and/or screening for a polynucleotide encoding OxyR;
- Group IV: Claims 31-37, drawn to methods of making amino acids using OxyR; and
- Group V: Claim 38, drawn to the OxyR polypeptide.